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LICENCE TO FACILITATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ABROAD
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Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of companies especially in the National Capital Territory of Delhi which have been issued licences to facilitate employment opportunities abroad during each of the last three years;

(b) whether these companies are functioning as per the directions of the Government;

(c) if not, whether the Government have received any complaints against certain companies regarding irregularities and violation of rules during the said period;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a): Under the Emigration Act, 1983, registration certificates (licenses) are issued to the Recruiting Agents for recruitment of Indian workers abroad on contractual basis. The number of licenses issued to Recruiting Agents in NCT of Delhi during the last three years is as under:-

1999	2000	2001
28	22	29

(b) to (e): In general, these Registered Recruiting Agents are functioning in accordance with the terms and conditions of the registration prescribed under Emigration Act, 1983. However, during the last three years, complaints were received against 24 registered Recruiting Agents. These complaints mainly related to charging of service charges in excess of amount provided for under the rules, collection of money from the intending emigrants but not actually sending them for overseas employment, sending some of the workers to other countries against non-existent jobs and, in some cases changing the terms and conditions of employment of the workers on their reaching the alien land. The majority of these complaints were got settled through the concerned Recruiting Agents. On account of non-compliance with the directions of the Government, the Registration Certificates of eight Agents were suspended.